CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. An optical assembly, comprising:

a package including an optoelectronic component;
an alignment feature mounted to a surface of the package; and
a sleeve, wherein the alignment feature is inserted into the sleeve and the
sleeve is sized to mate with a ferrule of a fiber optic connector.

2. The assembly of claim 1, further comprising:

the fiber optic connector, wherein the sleeve defines a bore receiving the alignment feature and the ferrule.

- 3. The assembly of claim 1, wherein the alignment feature comprises a cylindrical post having a hole allowing a light emitted by the package to pass through.
- 4. The assembly of claim 1, wherein the alignment feature comprises a solid post comprising a transmissive material allowing a light emitted by the package to pass through.
- 5. The assembly of claim 1, wherein the alignment feature comprises a solid partial sphere comprising a transmissive material allowing a light emitted by the package to pass through.
- 6. The assembly of claim 1, wherein the ferrule comprises part of a fiber optical connector.
- 7. The assembly of claim 6, wherein the fiber optical connector is selected from the group consisting of an LC connector, an ST connector, an SC connector, and an FC connector.
- 8. The assembly of claim 1, wherein the package is selected from a group consisting of an optoelectronic chip enclosure (OECE) and a TO can.
- 9. The assembly of claim 1, wherein the optoelectronic component is a laser.